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People are realizing the value of a good leather davenport, Turkish leather rocker or comfortable leather couch.

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HAPPENINGS IN ILLINOIS CITIES AND TOWNS

IS ONLY NECESSARY TO ENFORCE LAW

Attorney General Says Madison Poolrooms Can Be Suppressed Within Ten Days if Officers Do Their Duty.

"If the State's Attorney and the local officers of Madison County would do their duty, the poolroom could be suppressed within ten days by enforcing the provisions of the criminal law."

This statement is an extract from a letter written by Attorney General H. J. Hamilton to the Reverend J. G. Reynolds of Madison, in reply to a communication relative to the State law of Illinois as to poolrooms.

The poolroom was reopened Thanksgiving Day, to the surprise of the citizens of Madison and the adjoining towns. They thought after the excitement occasioned by the raid there last spring, the incident which was conducted against the old management and several of the police of Madison that no attempt would be made to re-establish a similar concern there.

The poolroom is not within the corporate limits of the village of Madison, but is just across the line in Nameoki Township. The buildings are not built upon wheels, thus enabling the management to quickly move them as occasion may demand in order to evade the county law.

From 400 to 700 persons visit the poolroom daily. The crowds are handled by the Illinois Central, which, it is said, is guaranteed \$100 daily by the management. It has also been stated that the property upon which the concern is operated is leased by the Illinois Central for a term of years.

The Reverend J. G. Reynolds, who is taking the initial steps toward the suppression of the poolroom, said last night that as a last resort he will circulate a petition among the citizens of the Tri-Cities asking them to aid him in obtaining proper evidence against the alleged violators.

He will forward this to the Governor, hoping that he will issue necessary orders to the county officers compelling them to make the arrests.

FROST UNABLE TO GIVE \$8,000 BAIL

Confidential Bookkeeper Arraigned on Charge of Embezzlement—Shortage Not Ascertained.

Charles Frost, confidential bookkeeper and cashier of Tarleton, Coy. & Sons, and the Henry Arnold Commission Company at the National Stock Yards, was arraigned yesterday on a charge of embezzlement. His bond was fixed at \$8,000.

He was unable to furnish bond and he was returned to the police station.

Experts are hard at work on the books of the two concerns whose money he is said to have appropriated, and up to last evening it was impossible to get the exact figures of the alleged shortage. Between \$15,000 and \$30,000 is said to have been taken by Frost.

Payment on two checks, one for \$2,400 and the other for \$1,200, drawn against Tarleton, Coy. & Sons, and the Henry Arnold Commission, was stopped at the National Stock Yards Bank yesterday. These sums represent a part of the money which Frost is said to have appropriated from Arnold.

Frost was taken to the offices of the concerns and opened the safes yesterday morning. He turned over to them personal notes to the extent of \$1,000, and a year to run before anything can be realized on them, according to the terms of the contract.

Frost received a telegram yesterday from a brother, who stated that he would arrive in East St. Louis this morning and try to help him out of his trouble.

FIREMEN'S HEROIC WORK

Blaze Which Threatened Furniture House Is Extinguished With Small Loss.

Fire which threatened the heavily stocked house of the Jones Furniture Company, at No. 428 Broadway, East St. Louis, was extinguished last night before a damage of less than \$500 was done.

The building is three stories high. The fire started in the rear of the third floor in a quantity of mattresses and inflammable material.

Fire Chief Thomas Van Dyke led a detail of firemen through the building into the heart of the blaze, and by heroic work extinguished the blaze.

The insurance on the building and contents is about \$20,000, which is held by St. Louis agents. Chief Van Dyke has requested them to meet him at his office this morning and make a survey of the fire.

BUSINESS MEN TO RESUME ACTION AGAINST OFFICIALS.

The Business Men's Improvement Association of Madison discussed Monday night the mandamus which was issued against the officers of the village by the Circuit Court, ordering them to submit a report of the condition of Madison's treasury.

Members of the association claim that the mandamus was dismissed without their knowledge. They contend that the city and county treasurers should be compelled, according to law, to submit their respective reports, and passed a resolution authorizing the appointment of an attorney to resume the action.

The poolroom question was also discussed and decided action was expected soon from that body.

WILL REORGANIZE EXCHANGE.

Real Estate Men Adopt By-Laws—Pay \$100,000 Club.

The East St. Louis Real Estate Exchange took steps at its meeting yesterday toward effecting a thorough reorganization. By-laws were adopted and it was resolved to elect officers at the next meeting. The members are to pay their dues in a lump sum, which will be in the nature of an initiation fee, and the old members in good standing and the new members on an equal footing. Only 100 members and state men will be permitted to join the organization.

A resolution was adopted favoring the organization of the proposed \$100,000 club, and promised the hearty support and influence of the Real Estate Exchange in this movement. The \$100,000 Club was proposed by Thomas L. Fekete, a member of the exchange.

The meeting will be held Thursday afternoon in the City Hall, and all merchants, business and professional men of East St. Louis have been invited to attend.

SUPERINTENDENT IS ARRESTED.

Architect Charges He Supervised Construction Without Having Permit.

William Kirkpatrick of East St. Louis was arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn out by J. N. Bartlow, a local architect, charging him with supervising the construction of a new building without a license, contrary to the State laws. The warrant was issued by Justice of the Peace James M. Beach. Kirkpatrick was released on bond, to appear Saturday for hearing.

According to Mr. Bartlow, the work was done by Kirkpatrick, who was paid \$1,000 for his services. He was also paid \$1,000 for his services. He was also paid \$1,000 for his services.

The building is a three-story structure, and is located on Broadway, East St. Louis. It is owned by the Kirkpatrick Building Company.

MADISON COUNTY REPORTS.

Outgoing Officials Submit Statements Regarding Public Affairs.

Records and outgoing officials in Madison County are to be submitted at the January meeting of the County Board. That of former Coroner Charles F. Tuffel will show 48 inquests conducted during his term of office.

R. J. Brown, the outgoing State's Attorney, reports 222 convictions for felonies, including 15 for burglary, 10 for larceny, 15 for robbery and seventeen principally for assault. Of these 222, 150 were committed by the reformatory and the remainder to the Penitentiary. There were sixteen convicted of manslaughter, but only one of whom was sentenced to life, two for thirty years, one for twenty-five and one for fourteen.

STRINGENT CURFEW LAW FOR MILLSTADT YOUTHS.

The Village Board of Millstadt Monday night adopted a curfew law which is stringent in its application to the young folks of the place.

Children under 16 years of age found on the streets of the village after 7 p. m. in the winter months, 8 p. m. in the spring and fall and 9 p. m. in the summer, who cannot give satisfactory reasons for being out, are liable to arrest.

ARRESTED FOR TRYING TO KISS WOMEN ON STREET.

A man who said that his name was A. Linden, and that his home was in Kalamazoo, Mich., was arrested late Monday night on a charge of attempting to kiss several young women on West Main street.

The young women refused to prosecute, and he was released yesterday afternoon after a severe lecture.

MANDAMUS AGAINST TREASURER.

Stone Company Alleges Payment Is Denied After Claim Is Allowed.

A mandamus proceeding directed against Anthony Speed, negro Village Marshal of Brooklyn and Treasurer of the Stiles Township Board of Highway Commissioners, to compel him to pay \$101.15 to the Nemes Stone Company of East St. Louis, for two carloads of crushed stone, was filed in the Circuit Court at Belleville yesterday.

The petition bears many affidavits and alleges that the bill was allowed early last September by the Board of Highway Commissioners, and that a warrant was sworn out Speed for non-payment, but that he refused to pay the amount, but that he refused to pay the amount, but that he refused to pay the amount.

The mandamus petition alleges that \$2,183.34 has been allowed for the payment of various bills against the Highway Commission, and that when they are paid there should still be \$2,000 in the hands of Treasurer Speed.

CLOSE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING.

Supervisors of Jersey County Transacted Business.

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Jersey County closed at Jerseyville yesterday after a two days' session. Bills amounting to nearly \$5,000 were audited and allowed. The Finance Committee, consisting of Chairman James Powers and Supervisors Thomas A. Case and J. M. Allen, made its annual report of the financial condition of the various county offices. The Sheriff's office reported the total amount of fees earned as \$2,325.85. The County Treasurer's office showed an excess of fees amounting to \$2.38 and the County Clerk's office a deficit in fees carried against expenditures of \$484.60. The largest earnings were reported in the office of the County Clerk, which showed an excess of fees over expenditures of \$1,024.44.

The contract for supplying the county with coal was awarded to Jacob Bobb of Jerseyville. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mourning were reappointed superintendent and master, respectively, of the County Almshouse at a salary of \$600. The Kinloch Long Distance Telephone Company was granted the right to establish a booth in the Courthouse.

Supervisors Tunis H. Craig of Fidelity Township, Frank C. Frank of Township and Robert L. Smith of Elsie Township, with County Clerk J. C. McGrath, and J. M. Allen, made their report to the annual Illinois State Convention of County Supervisors, Commissioners and Justices, which will be held in Galesburg in February.

Want Better Train Service.

Joseph M. Page, president of the Jerseyville Commercial Club, has called a meeting of the members and citizens of Jerseyville, to be held at the clubrooms this evening, to take up the question of securing better train service. With the adoption of the winter schedule last Sunday the train service at Jerseyville has been reduced to a minimum, and the Commercial Club will appoint a committee to confer with the railroad officials with a view to putting on additional trains.

Funeral of Mrs. Henrietta Darby.

The funeral of Mrs. Henrietta Darby of Jerseyville took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. P. Fritchett. The Reverend Mr. Duncan of Springfield, Ill., officiated. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery. Mrs. Darby died Saturday after a prolonged illness. She was one of the pioneer residents of Jerseyville.

COMMISSIONER EXAMINING LEVEE.

Leads to Be Protected Started. The Commissioners of the Nutwood Drainage and Levee District, consisting of Aaron O. Aulen, S. M. Reddish and George Edwards, who were appointed by Judge Charles S. White of the Jersey County Court Monday, began work yesterday. They will examine the levee district and the amount of damages against the lands to be protected. The Commissioners will be assisted by Engineer J. T. Trout of Beardstown, Ill., and J. A. Harmon of Peoria, Ill.

The district was traversed last night by the Commissioners and engineers, and a report will be made to the court this morning.

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CARTOONIST OSCAR CHOPIN GOES TO THE CHRONICLE

DELIGHTFUL HUMORIST WILL GIVE HIS WHOLE TIME HENCEFORTH TO ENTERTAINING THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE CHRONICLE.

Pursuing the aim of giving its readers not only all the news but presenting the news in the most attractive and pleasing forms, The Chronicle has added to its staff of artists Mr. Oscar C. Chopin.

Mr. Chopin's work as a cartoonist has become too familiar to the city he has delighted to need much introduction.

Mr. Chopin goes to The Chronicle from the Post-Dispatch, where during the last three years his contributions have attracted growing admiration. In the future he will give his whole energies and talent to The Chronicle for the entertainment of its readers.

Mr. Chopin inherits artistic ability and perception from his mother, the late Mrs. Kate Chopin, whose novels, "Bayou Folk," "A Night in the Garden," "At Fault," and "The Awakening," are so favorably known to St. Louis and St. Louisans, and his humor is of that delicious quality which has made famous his two able contemporaries, John T. McCutcheon of the Chicago Tribune, and F. Opper of the New York Journal.

The Chronicle congratulates its readers upon the continuous treat in store for them and assures them that wherever genuine merit appears in the local newspaper field The Chronicle will encourage it to the extent of securing it for the readers of The Chronicle as in securing the services of Mr. Chopin.

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ARMY OFFICERS GETTING AWAY

Captain Howze, Who Served With Roosevelt, the First to Leave World's Fair.

Captain Robert L. Howze, Sixth United States Cavalry, Assistant Commandant of the Jefferson Guards, is the first to leave the World's Fair. Captain Howze will depart to-day, having been relieved from further duty at the Fair by the War Department.

He will proceed to Washington for a week's stay, after which he is ordered to report for duty at Fort Keogh, Mont. He has been stationed at the World's Fair on duty with the Jefferson Guards since last August.

Captain Howze had one of the most distinguished records of the army officers stationed at the World's Fair, having served with President Roosevelt in the Santiago campaign. In this connection he came under the personal observation of the President, the Colonel Roosevelt, who in his book on the Santiago campaign said that Captain Howze was his ideal of a soldier.

William Oliver sued Nancy Oliver for divorce yesterday, charging that she refused to live with him. Thomas Young asked for a divorce yesterday from Tina Young on the ground of desertion.

Judge Sale yesterday granted divorces to Clara Elise Whitcomb from Henry F. Whitcomb; to Charles E. Helm from Ella Helm, with custody of two children; to Kate C. Derr from Jacob Derr, and to Sena Feldman from Morris Feldman, with custody of child.

Judge Kinsley granted a divorce to Margaret Foley from John Foley, with \$5 a month alimony and custody of child. Judge Bierme granted a divorce to Marie H. Beckman from William Beckman, with custody of child.

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FILIPINOS DEPART FOR ISLANDS TO-DAY

Negritos, Bagobos and Moro Tribes to Have Special Train to Seattle.

BOARD THANKS THE NATIVES.

Personal Letters of Gratitude and American Flags Given to Natives—Visayans at New York.

One hundred and forty men, women and children of the Filipino tribes at the World's Fair will depart for home to-day. The party will travel in a special train leaving at 6 o'clock p. m. over the Burlington to Seattle, whence they will sail for the islands.

The tribes included in the party represent the Samal Moros, Lanao Moros, Negritos and Bagobos. Frederick Lewis of the Moros, Ralph Hoppling of the Bagobos and Ralph McPhee of the Negritos will conduct the party back to the islands.

Yesterday the Philippines Exposition Board sent a vote of thanks in the form of a personal letter to all the natives who will leave to-day. The letter was signed by A. L. Lawshe, chairman of the board, and M. Guerrero, secretary. The board expressed its gratitude to each individual native for the part he played at the Exposition. The letter also expressed the hope that each Filipino would spread the knowledge of civilization he had gained at the World's Fair among the natives on his return to the islands.

The board also presented each tribe with a large American flag to carry back with them to their country.

The Visayans, who will go to New York to give a series of concerts at the Manhattan World's Fair, will remain at World's Fair through until the 14th of December. Their engagement in New York extends from the 17th to the 31st of December.

HUSBAND SEEKS NEWS OF WIFE, WHO IS MISSING.

Mrs. Hewitt Louise Jordan Leaves Home November 10 and Has Not Been Heard From.

William A. Jordan, 33 years old, residing at No. 608 North Grand avenue, foreman at the Tennant Shoe Company factory, has asked the assistance of the Police Department in locating his wife, Harriett Louise Jordan, who disappeared from home November 10, and has not been seen or heard of since.

Jordan states that their married life was very happy and free from strife and quarreling. He can assign no reason why she should leave home.

He states to locate her in order to be satisfied that she has not been killed or wounded in some place against her will. He is the mother of two boys, Brian and Howard, aged 3 and 1 years, respectively.

Now Pastors at Wellsville, Kentucky SPECIAL.

Wellsville, Mo., Dec. 4.—The Reverend W. A. McCullough of Salisbury, Mo., has been elected pastor of the Christian Church at Wellsville, Mo. Dr. McCullough was pastor of the church a few years ago.

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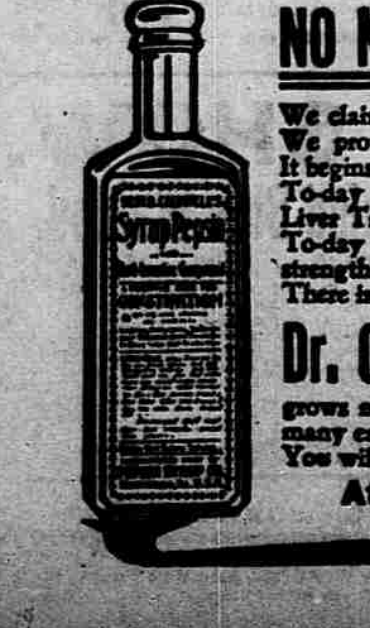
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